

# Attachment H

INDOT Letter regarding 2007 VMT on a statewide basis



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Dear Ms. McCabe:

This letter is to document the development of our Statewide Travel Demand Model which is being developed by our consultant, Cambridge Systematics, for our Major Corridor Economic Study. Members of my staff met with Scott Deloney, February 18, 1998 to provide an overview of our statewide modeling activities. He suggested we document the development activity in a letter to you.

The Statewide Travel Demand Model is being developed at a macro-scale to provide simulated base year and forecasted future year travel on the 12,000 mile highway system under state jurisdiction. We are developing this model to provide travel information for the economic analysis of major intercity highway corridor improvements, such as upgrading the US31 route from Indianapolis to South Bend. As this model is being developed at the macro-level, it provides good information at the regional and state-wide level. It is important to note however, that project specific or link specific simulated travel may require refinement for use at a localized level. This model, upon completion, will be able to provide forecasted vehicle miles of travel and travel speed which may be of use to the air quality analysis activities of the Office of Air Management. We intend to use the statewide model to supplement information from the more detailed simulation models used by the state's Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO) and to provide analysis in the rural areas outside of the MPO's jurisdiction.

We anticipate we will have an operational Statewide Travel Demand Model by April 15, 1998.

If I can provide any additional information on this issue, please me at the number listed above.

Sincerely,

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